

WHEATON URBAN DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 16, 2010

Dr. Royce Hansen Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Dr. Hansen and Members of the Planning Board:

The Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee (WUDAC) is writing to endorse the proposal by Patriot Realty for the redevelopment of the Safeway site on Georgia Avenue and Reedie Drive in Wheaton. At this stage in the redevelopment of downtown Wheaton, the proposal for this site will serve as a center piece in our revitalization efforts.

The Patriot Realty team has been proactive in seeking comments from both WUDAC and the community. We are very pleased Safeway has chosen to remain in Wheaton and we welcome the opportunity to increase our residential base in the downtown, especially located next to the Wheaton Metro station.

We feel this proposal is an important piece in the ongoing revitalization efforts in downtown Wheaton. We hope the approval process for the new facility is quick and that construction can begin as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Brett Schneider, Chair

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cc: Isiah Leggett Nancy Floreen

